

County News

MALTA BEND

Mrs. Harry England received word last Monday that her brother's wife was dead. She and her daughter, Edith, left Tuesday morning for Ottumwa to attend the funeral.

Miss Freda Davison returned to her home at Gilliam the first of last week.

Miss Annie Hinton left last Tuesday evening for Kansas City for a week's visit with friends.

Mrs. Joe Deckard visited relatives in the bottom several days last week.

Henry Klinge was among our people last Thursday.

Miss Cora Eyrard was visiting at the home of Mrs. J. W. Spencer last week.

S. T. Wilson was in the county seat last Wednesday on business.

The Tuesday Club was entertained by Mrs. Will Brown last Tuesday.

Mrs. O. M. Elliott is entertaining Mrs. Ethel Marvin and daughter of South Dakota.

Andy Kapp and Herbert Wilson were in Marshall last Wednesday on business.

Miss Myrl Blosser was the guest of O. C. Gaudin and family at Stanhope last Saturday.

Miss Maurine Gaudin who has been attending school here returned to her home at Stanhope last Saturday.

Miss Rosa Malter of Lexington is here visiting relatives.

Little Helen Lunbeck left last Monday for Lexington to visit relatives.

Mrs. George Adams and daughter, Bessie, were shopping in Marshall last Wednesday.

Thomas Malter of Lexington was here several days last week visiting friends and relatives.

John Bathus and wife of Marshall were the guests of J. C. Barrow and wife last Sunday.

E. F. Curry was transacting business in the county seat last Thursday.

Everett Fulton and wife who have been visiting the former's relatives in Ohio for several weeks returned home last Thursday.

Miss Maurine Gaudin of Stanhope and Miss Katherine Fletcher of Blosser were visitors in town last Tuesday.

Misses Mae and Aurline Williams of near Miami were the guest of their brother, Ras Williams last Friday.

Dr. Walker of Grand Pass was in town last Tuesday.

H. I. Blosser was transacting business in the county seat last Friday.

Harry and Lester Bryan came over from Marshall last week and are the guest of their grand-mother.

E. F. Curry was the guest of his friend, Harlan Williams at Grand Pass Monday night.

The Jeter Stars crossed bats with the Malta Bend boys here Monday afternoon. The score was 5 to 12 in favor of Jeter Stars.

Those that were transacting business in the county seat Monday were L. O. Nye, Gus Renick, Mat Mitchner and Frank Moore.

Editor Elliott went to St. Joseph last Thursday on business returning Sunday morning.

We are glad to say that Peyton Jeter was able to be out to the ball game Monday afternoon.

BLOSSER

Miss Maud Blosser spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Ernest Sailor.

Abenaid Fulton spent last week with her cousins, Eunice and Harry Fulton.

Miss May Weatherford spent last Thursday afternoon with Katherine Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dyer and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Clyde and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sailor spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blackburn.

The work on the elevator is progressing slowly on the account of the rainy weather.

Mr. Blosser went to Kansas City Monday evening on business.

Misses Maurine Gaudin and Katherine Fletcher called on Miss Myrl Blosser at Malta Bend last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Anna Blosser and Miss Maud spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Jennie Payne.

Mrs. Anna Blosser and daughter called on Mrs. N. J. Fletcher last Thursday afternoon.

Otis Blosser spent the day Sunday with Edward Fletcher.

Raymond Payne and Edward Fletcher attended the base ball game at Malta Bend Monday afternoon.

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ELM GROVE

Joe Pittman has bought some cattle to feed.

Mrs. Mary Slater closed a successful term of school last Friday week with a splendid program in the evening.

Mrs. J. Pittman attended church at Shackelford Thursday.

Mrs. Jay Campbell gave a party in honor of her little daughter, Edith last Thursday and in spite of the threatening weather a good many were present and all reported a good time leaving at a late hour wishing the little hostess many more happy birthdays.

Little Maurin Crump son of Mr. Orville Crump and wife had the misfortune to fall and sprain his arm a few days ago which is giving him considerable trouble.

Mrs. Robt. Martin will teach the Elm Grove school the next term.

Little corn is being planted in this vicinity.

Jos. Pittman has been taking out some hedge and putting up a new fence which is quite an improvement to his farm.

C. C. Ruff, N. N. Ruff and Ike Ruff visited the county seat Saturday.

Jos. Pittman, Andy Hayob, Jos. Schieszer and Mr. Dillon have in a new telephone line which is a great benefit to this community.

The cold weather got most all the fruit in this community.

NEW HOME

We are having plenty of rain and the creeks are all out of their banks.

Our rural carrier did not make his route Monday on account of culverts being washed out.

Corene Hartman, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hartman is real sick at this writing of pneumonia.

Mrs. D. M. Harris and daughter, Miss Minnie were shopping in Blackburn Monday.

Daisy Forbes spent Sunday with Miss Bessie Knott.

Miss Maude Harris returned to Sweet Springs Tuesday to take up her school work after being absent the past two weeks.

There will be preaching at Elm Wood Sunday by Rev. Dowdy.

D. M. Harris was in Sweet Spring Tuesday.

HARDEMAN

Mrs. S. J. Gibson was calling on her mother, Mrs. Crouch Monday evening. She reports her sister, Miss Nellie Crouch being very sick.

Will Lafaire and family spent Sunday with Alfred Davis and wife.

Henry Hasemeier, wife and their daughter, Louis Schler, wife and sister, Miss Mary Schler, Henry Niemeier, wife and daughter were guests Sunday of Clemence Winkler and family.

Mottis Schieszer and wife of Marshall, Will Senter and wife of Napton spent Monday at the home

of Will Woodsmall.

S. J. Gibson spent Tuesday night in Marshall with his father who has been sick but is reported better.

This community was very much grieved to hear the sad news of the death of Mrs. Margaret Gibson, of Marshall, who died suddenly at her home Wednesday evening at 8:30 o'clock of heart failure. She leaves to mourn her death a sorrowing husband, five children and a host of friends.

A precious one from them is gone. A voice they loved is still; A place is vacant in her home, Which never can be filled.

God in his wisdom has recalled, The boon his love had given And though the body slumbers here The soul is safe in heaven.

Dear children, try not to weep, Nor mourn thy mother as dead, But see her rest and sweetly sleep In Christ our living head.

Dear husband, let not they grief bear down, Wipe off that rising tear, Look up to where thy wife has gone And strive to meet her there.

Harry Hudson was the dinner guest of George Pearson and family Sunday.

T. J. Daves attended the telephone meeting at the Potter school house Monday night.

Harry Thomas and Nelson West were calling on Misses Annie and Ruth Dickson Sunday afternoon.

F. O. Shepard the census enumerator of Arrow Rock was in this locality one day last week.

Ernest Harvey and wife of Napton visited the former's mother, Mrs. M. J. Harvey, Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Hudson was visiting her sister, Mrs. M. F. Wiley of Nelson Thursday.

J. E. Gibson, of Arrow Rock passed through here Monday enroute to Marshall to see his father who has been quite sick but is able to be up at this writing.

Miss Lillian Gibson spent a few days this week with her sister, Mrs. Early Moore of the Salem neighborhood.

There was no preaching at this place Sunday on account of the heavy rain that fell Friday and Saturday and washed out several bridges.

Married at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Howell on Monday evening, May 9th, 1910 at 6 o'clock Mr. Earl Martin of Arrow Rock and Miss Nora E. Howell, Rev. Houston of the M. E. church officiating. Only the immediate family were present. The brides friends are numbered by her acquaintances and all join in offering the most sincere wishes for the prosperity of this happy couple.

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Last week Misses Alma and Edna Peterman, daughters of Jasper Peterman hitched up their buggy horse and started out for a drive. The horses' bridle slipped off its head and he regarded it as a signal to turn himself loose so off he ran at a lively rate frightening the girls so that they tried to jump out of the vehicle and in so doing they sustained some severe bruises about the head and face. Nothing of a serious nature however resulted.

Our City Marshal, Jas. Ulrey, has beautified his home lately by papering the walls and repainting the wood work.

Mrs. Bessie Barton's baby has been very ill during a recent visit she has been making with her sister, Mrs. Martin Hudson.

Three of the Miami girls were lucky winners in the Democrat-News contest last week. Olive Peterman getting a beautiful hall seat, Stella Minor \$20 in gold and Gene Bishop a handsome \$25.00 trunk.

Charlie Godman gave a most delightful hop at his bachelor hall on Wednesday p. m. He was ably assisted by his cousin, Herbert Godman of Kentucky.

Mrs. Ed. Hawkins who has been in very poor health is improving nicely this spring.

Miss Vic Irvin of the bottom is assisting Miss Maud Switzer in her milliner and dress making department this spring.

Miss Mamie Grady's play "A day at the Union depot" was shown Friday and Saturday nights of last week and was a success in spite of the rain.

Mrs. Jim Hisle had the misfortune to fall and break her left leg in two places last Thursday p. m. She was standing on a box taking the measure for some paper on the wall and in getting down fell and broke a bone just below the knee and one in the ankle. She is getting along very nicely at present but has suffered a great deal and will be confined to her bed for several weeks.

Birthday Dinner

No more pleasant company ever assembled to do honor to a birthday than that which met on May 5th at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Godman. Of course Mrs. Godman was aware that this was her 45th birthday, but she was entirely unaware that anything "was doing" in the way of a surprise party. Her two daughters, Mary and Ethelyn had a few days before issued invitations to their mothers friends to come on that day and help celebrate. Mrs. Godman being very ignorant of their proceedings, but when bugles and surreys of people began to arrive it became evident that a big time was in store for her.

The anniversary dinner was one of those bountiful feasts long to be recalled for its completeness and goodness. Sure it is that the Misses Godman may congratulate themselves for making the occasion so auspicious and may she for whom it was planned enjoy many more coming years. Beautiful birthday gifts were bestowed upon Mrs. Godman.

Quake List 2000

San Jose, Costa Rica, May 7.—Two thousand dead, between 3000 and 5000 injured and property loss aggregating \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000 is the result of the earthquake which destroyed the City of Cartago and the towns of Paraiso, Turabla, Naranjo and several smaller villages in Costa Rica Wednesday night.

The City of Cartago the ancient capital of the Republic is in ruins. Every stone or brick building in the city was destroyed. The only semblance of buildings left standing are four shacks, built partly of wood and corrugated iron.

The scene at Cartago beggars description. The survivors are panic-stricken and chaos reigns. The earth shocks continue at short intervals and each tremor is followed instantly by shrieks from men, women and children, who are gathered in groups in open spaces in the wrecked city. Some of the women have lost their reason and are gibbering idiots.

Up to noon to-day 645 bodies had been recovered from the ruins at Cartago. The rescue work is slow and it will be several days before it is completed. It is estimated that there are at least 500 bodies still buried under the wreckage of the buildings.

The stench is so sickening that the soldiers who are engaged in rescue work have to be relieved in company at short intervals. Hundreds of buzzards have been attracted to the city.

The president and all of the members of the cabinet are at Cartago and Paraiso superintend-

ing rescue work. Martial law has been proclaimed and military rule established throughout the earthquake zone.

The Peace Palace which was built with funds contributed by Andrew Carnegie, is a wreck. Nothing remains but a huge pile of stone, brick and mortar. The building collapsed when the first violent shock occurred. Several lives were lost in the building, but the exact number will not be known until the soldiers complete their work of exploring the ruins.

Hundreds of people were injured by the falling walls and roofs, and these unfortunates are being cared for by the government. Camps have been established and tents erected in the outskirts of Cartago and physicians from San Jose and other adjacent cities and towns are giving the injured all of the attention possible.

The City of Paraiso, in the Province of Cartago, with a population of between 3000 and 4000 persons, was destroyed by the earthquake. It is estimated that nearly one-third of the inhabitants of Paraiso met death under falling buildings, while the list of injured will run up to a thousand or more.

The exact number of persons killed in the earthquake zone probably will never be known. Every brick and stone building in that section was razed to the ground. The shocks occurred at an hour when nearly every person had gone home for the night. When the buildings collapsed they were caught like rats and crushed to death.

WISE AND OTHERWISE

Items Stolen, Borrowed and in Other Ways Misappropriated

The teacher had been telling the class about the rhinoceros family. "Now name some things," said she, "that are very dangerous to get near to, and have horns." "Automobiles!" replied little Johnnie Jones promptly.

"When I arose to speak," related the martyred statesman, some one hurled a base, cowardly egg at me and it struck me in the chest.

"And what kind of an egg might that be?" asked a fresh young man. "A base, cowardly egg," explained the statesman, "is one that hits you and then runs."

She had just accepted him and they were blissfully discussing the "might-have-beens."

"Darling," he inquired, in the tone of one who knows what the answer will be: "darling, why didn't you accept that little donkey of a fop?"

"Because," she answered dreamily, "I loved another."

"I am looking for something nice for a young man," said the young and pretty shopper.

"Why don't you look in the mirror?" asked the gallant clerk. And she was so flustered that he managed to sell her four different things that she did not want before she knew what she was doing.

A colored man died without medical attendance, and the coroner went to investigate.

"Did Samuel Williams live here?" he asked the weeping woman who opened the door.

"Yassuh," she replied between sobs.

"I want to see the remains."

"I is de remains," she answered proudly.

"I suppose that to educate your daughter in music costs a great deal of money?"

"Yes; but she's brought it all back for me."

"Indeed!"

"Yes; I've been trying to buy out my next door neighbor at half price for years, and never could bring him to terms until she came home!"

A witty as well as a soft answer will sometimes turn away wrath. A candidate in the midst of a stirring address, was struck with a rotten egg, full in the face. Pausing to wipe away the contents of the stale missile, he calmly continued:

"I have always contended that my opponent's arguments were very unsound."

The crowd roared and he was no longer molested.

It was married men's night at the revival meeting.

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"Ah!" exclaimed the preacher, peering out at this lone sinner who occupied a chair near the door and apart from the others. "You are one in a million."
"It ain't that," piped back this one, helplessly, as the rest of the congregation turned to gaze suspiciously at him. "I can't get up, I'm paralyzed!"

In a rural town there lives an old lady who is the possessor of a very economical disposition and two prepossessing daughters who are the belles of the town. One Sunday afternoon two youths went out to see these two fair damsels. They were cordially received, delightfully entertained and when supper-time came they were invited to partake of the evening meal. Supper-time over, they still lingered. Bed-time came, they still tarried.

The old lady, used to early hours went to her slumbers, but the two young men had no fault to find with that. Waking from a sleep of a couple of hours and seeing a light still burning, the old lady called:

"Mathilda?"

"Yes, mother."

"Have the boys gone?"

The boys, with nods and pantomime, besought Mathilda to answer in the affirmative, so the daughter answered again, "Yes, mother."

A moment of silence, then "Mathilda?"

"Well, mother?"

"Wasn't them two boys hogs for butter?"

Kansas City Star: Roy L. Bone, a candidate for city commissioner in Topeka, was once a reporter on the Wichita Beacon. In going to a fire a fireman was thrown from a horse cart and killed. The city editor being absent Mr. Bone wrote the heading for the account of the accident and this is what he wrote: "Gone to his last fire." He was promptly fired and was never able to convince the fireman that his intentions were best.

A woman missionary in China was taking tea with a mandarin's eight wives, says the Detroit Free Press. The Chinese ladies examined her clothing, her hair, her teeth and so on, but her feet especially amazed them. "Why," one cried, "you can walk and run as well as a man!" "Yes to be sure," said the missionary. "Can you ride a horse and swim, too?" "Yes," "Then you must be as strong as a man!" "I am!" "And you would not let a man best you—not even if he was your husband, would you?" "Indeed I wouldn't," said the missionary. The mandarin's eight ladies looked at one another, nodding their heads. Then the old said, softly: "Now, I understand why the foreign devil never has more than one wife. He is afraid."

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